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Amendments to the Claims

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions and listings of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

1. (Original) A textured wire tie comprising a textured coating adhered to a surface of a metal wire, wherein the coating comprises a first and a second plastic resin having different molecular weights.
2. (Original) The textured wire tie of claim 1, wherein the first and second resins are polyvinyl chloride.
3. (Original) The textured wire tie of claim 1, wherein the first resin is a high density fractional melt polyvinyl chloride and the second resin is a 0.3 fractional melt polyvinyl chloride.
4. (Original) The textured wire tie of claim 3, wherein the first resin is from about 50% to about 70% by weight of the coating and the second resin is from 30% to about 50% by weight of the coating.
5. (Original) The textured wire tie of claim 3, wherein the first resin is about 60% by weight of the coating and the second resin is about 40% by weight of the coating.
6. (Original) The textured wire tie of claim 1, wherein the coating is from between about 0.005 to about 0.05 inches thick.
7. (Original) The textured wire tie of claim 1, wherein the wire is from 0.04 to about 0.80 inches in diameter.

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8. (Currently Amended) The textured wire tie of claim 1, wherein the textured coating ~~reduces is operative to reduce~~ slippage of the wire on itself when twisted, or slippage during handling.
9. (Withdrawn) A method of making a textured wire tie, comprising:
melting a mixture of from about 50% to about 70% by weight high density fractional melt polyvinyl chloride and from 30% to about 50% 0.3 fractional melt polyvinyl chloride to form a melt blend;
extruding the melt blend at a temperature from about 250°F to about 350°F; and
applying a coating of the melt blend to the wire.
10. (Withdrawn) The method of making a textured wire tie of claim 9, wherein the temperature is about 310°F.
11. (Withdrawn) The method of making a textured wire tie of claim 9, wherein the mixture is about 60% by weight high density fractional melt polyvinyl chloride and about 40% by weight 0.3 fractional melt polyvinyl chloride.
12. (Withdrawn) The method of making a textured wire tie of claim 9, further comprising cooling the coated wire.
13. (Withdrawn) The method of making a textured wire tie of claim 9, wherein the wire is coated with from between about 0.005 to about 0.05 inches of the melt blend.
14. (Withdrawn) The method of making a textured wire tie of claim 9, wherein the wire is coated with about 0.018 inches of the melt blend.
15. (Withdrawn) The method of making a textured wire tie of claim 9, wherein the wire is from about 0.04 to about 0.80 inches in diameter.

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16. (Withdrawn) The method of making a textured wire tie of claim 9, wherein the wire is about 0.06 inches in diameter.

17. (Withdrawn) The method of making a textured wire tie of claim 9, wherein the coating adheres to a surface of the wire.

18. (Withdrawn) The method of making a textured wire tie of claim 9, wherein the wire is metal.

19. (Withdrawn) The method of making a textured wire tie of claim 9, wherein the texture is a roughened surface of irregular shape.